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THE GAP BETWEEN ESCALATOR STEPS

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3)(i), Applicant provides the following statement regarding the cited document that is not in English.

JP 61-162484 discloses a scal that fits between adjacent stationary surfaces at a landing (i.e., end) of a conveyor.

Respectfully submitted,

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